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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Species Requirement mailed on February 3, 2005, please enter the following comments in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Applicant confirms the election made without traverse to prosecute claims 1-62 directed to a textured composite material.

On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner sets forth a further Election of Species Requirement with respect to the elected Group I.

In particular, the Examiner requests that the applicant elects one of Species 1 directed to textured composite material comprising a fibrous outer layer and an adhesive layer, encompassing claims 1-22 and 38-62, or Species 2 directed to a textured composite material further comprising a fibrous outer layer, an adhesive layer, and a backing layer, encompassing claims 23-37.

The applicant elects, without traverse, Species 1, textured composite material comprising a fibrous outer layer and an adhesive layer, as the species for examination. With respect to this election of species, the claims that read upon this election include claims 1-22 and 38-62.

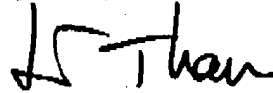
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The applicant believes that Species 2 can also be examined at this time, since claims 23-37 are dependent directly or indirectly on claim 1, which is generic to all species.

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Respectfully submitted,

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